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TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

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[Reuter's Service to the "Telegraph."]

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OUTRAGEOUS ATTACK ON GENERAL SMUTS.

AT AN ELECTIONEERING MEETING.

October 4, 1.20 p.m.
Official news is now published of the outrageous attack on General Smuts during an electioneering meeting at Newlands, near Johannesburg, on September 23. The meeting was largely composed of hooligans armed with sticks and pick handles. The platform was rushed and the police just succeeded in enabling General Smuts to escape assassination by jumping into a motor car. The chauffeur was knocked down whilst starting the engine. General Smuts, who was unhurt, went to Pretoria.

The Times believes that the outrage will produce a strong reaction in favour of the Botha party.

AWARD OF MILITARY CROSSES.

FOR CONSPICUOUS BRAVERY.

October 4, 1.25 p.m.
The award of eighteen Military Crosses has been gazetted, including Captain R. F. D. Burnett of the 42nd Deolies, attached to the 89th Pals, for conspicuous gallantry near Neuve Chapelle on the night of August 7. With one non-commissioned officer and four Sepoys he advanced from the sap head under machine-gun fire and rescued a wounded non-commissioned officer. The whole party had to stand under fire in order to lift the wounded man over barbed wire.

TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

THE RUSSIANS.

RED CROSS SISTERS MURDERED.

October 4, 1.25 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent in Petrograd says that eight German corps participated in the thrust eastward, between Dwinsk and Vilna, which so signally failed. The object of the thrust was threefold. To cover the Dwinsk operations, to threaten the rear of the Russians in Dwinsk, in the direction of Polotsk, and to advance towards Minsk. General Borisoff's parrying of the thrust, and the Russian move westwards, primarily relieved the pressure on Dwinsk, which becomes the integral sector of the Russian front. Although the Germans pushed nearer to Dwinsk from the west and the south-west, the town and the bridges of the Dwina are believed still to be out of range of gun fire. Some accounts state that the German cavalry participating in the thrust lost half their number. Refugees are returning and nine thousand prisoners, including a hundred and eighty five officers have been brought to Kiev. These belong to the five Hungarian regiments which were entrenched in the hills near the famous Fotehiff Monastery in the Province of Volhyn. The Russians cleverly outflanked and the Hungarians fled to the valleys. The Russians seized the hills devastating them with their fire and forcing the Hungarians to surrender.

The Red Cross Society publishes a list of forty-six Sisters of Charity, killed during bombardment of the hospital.

[In the event of telegram arriving too late for insertion on this page they will be found on the Extra.]

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE BALKAN SITUATION.

THE RUSSIAN NOTE.

October 4, 12.55 a.m.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd, the Russian Minister at Sofia has been instructed to hand to M. Radoslawoff the following Note:—

"Events at present occurring in Bulgaria prove the definite decision on the part of King Ferdinand's Government to place the fate of Bulgaria in the hands of Germany. The presence of Austro-German officers at the Ministry of War and in the Army Staffs, the concentration of troops in the zone bordering on Serbia, and the extensive financial support accepted from our enemies leave no room for doubt regarding the object of the present military preparations in Bulgaria. The Powers of the Entente, who have at heart the realization of the aspirations of the Bulgarian people, have, on many occasions, warned M. Radoslawoff that any hostile act against Serbia would be considered as directed against themselves. The Bulgarian Premier's assurances in reply to these warnings are contradicted by facts. The representative of Russia, bound to Bulgaria by the imperishable memory of her liberation from the Turkish yoke, cannot by his presence sanction the preparations of fratricidal aggression against the Slav and Allied peoples. The Russian Minister is therefore ordered to leave Bulgaria with the staffs of the Legation and Consulate if the Bulgarian Government does not, within twenty-four hours, openly break with the enemies of the Slav cause and of Russia, and does not immediately send away the officers belonging to the armies at war with the Powers of the Entente."

THE ALLIES IN THE WEST.

SIR JOHN FRENCH'S DESPATCH.

October 4, 3.45 a.m.
According to a Reuter message sent from headquarters on the 3rd inst., Field Marshal Sir John French's order of the day, dated September 30, says:—We have reached a definite stage of the great battle which commenced on September 25. Our allies in the south pierced the enemy's last line of entrenchments and effected large captures of prisoners and guns. The tenth French army on our immediate right has been heavily opposed, but it brilliantly succeeded in securing an important position known as Vimy Ridge. The operations of the British have been most successful, and have had great and important results. On September 25 the 1st and 4th corps attacked and carried the enemy's first and most powerful line of entrenchments, extending from our extreme right flank at Greny to a point north of the Hohenzollern redoubt, a distance of 8,500 yards. This position was exceptionally strong, consisting of a double line which included some large redoubts, and a network of trenches. Bomb proof shelters and dugouts were constructed at short intervals all along the line, some being large caves thirty feet below the ground. The 11th corps in the General Reserve and the 2nd cavalry division were subsequently thrown into the fight, and finally the 28th division. After the vicissitudes attendant upon every great fight the enemy's second line of position was taken, a

WAR TELEGRAMS.

THE ALLIES IN THE WEST.

commanding position, known as Hill 70, in advance of Loos was finally captured and a strong line was established and consolidated in close proximity to the German third and last line. The main operations south of the Labasse Canal were much facilitated and assisted by subsidiary attacks by the 3rd and Indian Corps, and the 5th Corps east of Ypres, during which some important captures were made. We are also much indebted to Vice-Admiral Becon for the invaluable co-operation of the fleet. Our captures amounted to over 3,000 prisoners, some twenty-five guns, besides many machine guns and a quantity of war material. The enemy suffered heavy losses, particularly in many of the counter-attacks, by means of which they endeavoured in vain to wrest back the captured positions, but which were all gallantly repulsed. I desire to express to the army my deep appreciation of the splendid work it has accomplished, and my heartfelt thanks for the brilliant leadership of General Sir Douglas Haig and the corps and divisional commanders under his orders in the main attack. In the same spirit of admiration and gratitude I wish particularly to comment upon the magnificent spirit, indomitable courage and dogged tenacity of the troops of the old army, the new army and the Territorials, who vied one with another in heroic conduct throughout the battle. I feel the utmost confidence and assurance that the same glorious spirit which was so marked a feature throughout the first phase of this great battle will continue until our efforts are crowned by the final victory.

MESSAGE FROM THE KING.

October 4, 4.35 a.m.
Sir John French has received the following message from His Majesty the King:—"I heartily congratulate you and all the ranks of the army on the success of their gallant efforts since the commencement of the combined attack. I recognise that this strenuous and determined fighting is but a prelude to greater deeds and further victories. I trust the sick and wounded are doing well." To this the Field Marshal replied:—"Your Majesty's forces in France are deeply grateful for Your Majesty's gracious message. There is no sacrifice the troops are not prepared to make to uphold the honour and traditions of Your Majesty's army and to secure the final and complete victory."

THE RUSSIANS.

GERMANS FAIL BEFORE ARTILLERY FIRE.

October 4, 4.35 a.m.
While the German communique is eloquently brief as to the Russian theatre, where it declares that nothing important has occurred, a Petrograd communique records further Russian successes either in repulsing German attacks and causing the enemy to flee in disorder, or capturing trenches and villages with brilliant bayonet attacks. Most of the fighting occurred in the lake region east of the Dwinsk and Vilna line. It is noteworthy that the communique mentions several instances wherein the Germans were unable to withstand the artillery fire, while the cavalry played an important part, charging and sabring the Germans. A hard fight, which ended in the Russians' (with the bayonet) storming a village and farm south of Lake Narotch, costing the Germans the loss of eight howitzers and six guns.

BRITISH AEROPLANES AGAIN BOMB ZEEBRUGGE.

October 4, 1.00 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam says that five English aeroplanes attacked Zeebrugge yesterday morning, bombing points of military importance. The German guns kept up a terrific fusillade and damaged one machine, but the officer, Lieutenant Boyd, most skilfully and calmly succeeded in volplaning into Dutch territory, where he will be interned.

TELEGRAMS.

SIR PRATAP SINGH.

TO GO ON LEAVE.

Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."
London Received, October 5.
Maharaja Sir Pratap Singh is going to India shortly, on leave to attend a wedding in Jodhpore.

TELEGRAMS.

OBITUARY.

MR. JUSTICE BUCKNILL.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]
London Received, October 5.
[The Right Honourable Sir Thomas Townsend, Hon. Mr. Justice Bucknill, P.C. was Judge of the Queen's Bench Division of the High Court of Justice from 1899 to 1914. He was born on April 18, 1845.]

TELEGRAMS.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

CONDENSED.

Mr. Justice Bucknill is dead.

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Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

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South China Morning Post

Russia's Ultimatum to Bulgaria.
The outstanding feature of to-
day's war news is the announce-
ment that Russia has despatched
an ultimatum to Bulgaria giving
the government 24 hours in which
to dismiss the Tareo-German offi-
cers. It will be remembered that
Sir Edward Grey on the 1st inst.
authorised the statement that
news had been received that Aus-
tro-German officers for several
days had been arriving in Bulgar-
ia with a view of actively direct-
ing the Bulgarian army. Such
an announcement was indicative
of the course "events" were pro-
gressing in the Bulgarian State
towards the Allies. There were
but faint hopes held out that Bul-
garia would espouse the cause of
the Allies for Serbia and Greece
were not too ready to concede the
demands of King Ferdinand and
his political advisers. Russia has
now thrown a bomb into the poli-
tical arena, which will compel
Bulgaria to "show her hand" at
a much earlier stage than was an-
ticipated.

Daily Press.

After the War.
It is a question of balancing
the benefits with the evils, and it
is difficult to see what benefits
will accrue from the present war
which will overbalance the very
real evils which are patent to us
all. Mr. Wells' view of the bene-
fits to arise from the war is sig-
nificant in one direction. Although
one can hardly pick out a direct
statement from his remarks which
would prove the case, the reader
cannot fail to form the conclusion
that Mr. Wells sees among the
benefits to be enjoyed by Britain
as a result of the war, a closer
approximation to the German
model in social and political
organisation. This means that,
having undertaken the war to
overthrow an organisation which
he regards as inimical to the
civilisation of the world, Britain
is to herself copy the organisation.
Perhaps Mr. Wells would say
that it is not the organisation
itself which is at fault, but the
spirit in which it is used; but the
organisation owes its existence to
the combined mental activities of
the German people, and it is the
organisation which has made the
present war possible. To copy
the organisation is to copy the
spirit. It is possible that Britain
will emerge from the war with
her views strongly modified by
those of the enemy she has been
fighting, but this would be Ger-
many's revenge, not Britain's gain.

China Mail.

The Ultimatum to Bulgaria.
Apparently, however, her (Bul-
garia's) antipathy towards Serbia
is ineradicable and her greed in-
extinguishable; for despite substantial
offers of territory from the Entente
Powers, Bulgaria, Oliver Twist-
like, continues to ask for more.
From the substantial offers men-
tioned she has apparently been
lured away by offers from the
Turks and Germans of what have
been described as of an "extra-
ordinary kind." Their precise
character has not been revealed,
but that they are well-described
in the above phrase is very
probable. Both Germany and
Turkey no doubt have been lavish
in offers which even they must
know there is a very remote pro-
bability of them ever being able
to carry into effect. The mystery
is how Bulgaria can be so blind
to allow herself to be so easily
duped, and the only feasible ex-
planation is that she has allowed
her rapacity to blind her judg-
ment or that her hatred of Serbia
is so deep that she finds it
impossible to withstand the
opportunity presented to lit-
tle out at the adversary that
stood in her path and took up
arms against her when she made
such preposterous claims at the
close of the last Balkan conflict.
Doubtless, Bulgaria imagines that
she will find Serbia much weak-
ened at the present time.

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GENERAL NEWS.

Memorial to Bishop Moorhouse.
As a memorial to the late Bishop Moorhouse, it is proposed to erect an episcopal throne in the Manchester Cathedral, at a cost of £300. War economists are objecting, however, and members of the clergy and laity suggest that the money could be more usefully employed in scholastic purposes.

Dr. Alexis Carrel.
Dr. Alexis Carrel, of the Rockefeller Institute, who has discovered a new anæsthetic, is still a young man, but has a world-wide reputation as a surgeon. Thirteen years ago, whilst still a hospital surgeon in his native Lyons, he discovered a method of rejoining severed arteries, which opened up a new field of surgery. This and many subsequent discoveries were recognised by the award of the Nobel Prize to Dr. Carrel two years ago.

Eastland Partly Raised.
Chicago, August 14.—Raising the steamship Eastland which capsized in the Chicago River three weeks ago to-day with a loss of nearly 1,000 lives was expected to be completed before night. The vessel lay nearly level when pumping operations to remove the remaining water in the hold were resumed to-day. Several engineers selected by Federal authorities were ready to go aboard the ship to begin a thorough examination of the interior. They will especially examine the water ballast system.

Bad Bacon: \$150 Fine.
Henry John Webb, provision and poultry salesman, of London Central Markets, was at the Guildhall fined \$150 and \$5.5s. costs on three summonses for selling to the Metropolitan Asylums Board a number of cases of bacon which was diseased, unwholesome, and unfit for human food. Mr. Travers Humphreys, who defended, admitted that defendant had been careless, but said he had no knowledge that the meat was bad. Mr. Vickery, prosecuting, said the bacon formed part of a seized consignment of 7,195 lb.

A Billiard Player's Affairs.
At the Bankruptcy Court, the examination was concluded of Harry William Gray, professional billiards player, who attributed his insolvency to the expense of settling an action brought by John Roberts for breach of contract, and to loss of income owing to the stoppage of his son's earnings since the war. The debtor, who returned his liabilities at \$1,635, with assets nil, came from Australia in 1910 to act as manager for his son, then an infant, who had since been engaged in exhibition matches in various parts of the world.

Passing of Three Great Mines.
San Francisco, August 13.—Belcher, Crown Point, and Yellow Jacket, three California mines that have produced more than \$150,000,000 and paid more than \$50,000,000 in dividends, are no more, so far as the stock list of the San Francisco Stock Exchange is concerned. After an activity of more than fifty years, the names of these three leaders of the great Comstock group were dropped from the official list of the local Exchange to-day, on application of the management of the Belcher-Crown Point-Belcher Mines Company, which asked to substitute the names of the consolidated corporation and its common stock.

Belgian Crops for Belgians.
Paris, August 24.—A telegram to the Petit Parisien from Havre says the Belgian Government has learned that the National Revictualising Committee has received formal assurances from the Spanish and United States Ministers at Brussels that the Germans will leave all this year's crops in Belgium intact for the feeding of the Belgian people. This being so the committee has been able to arrange, in concert with the American Committee, measures which will ensure to the country the necessary supply of provisions for the feeding of the population.

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OUR LONDON LETTER.

(From Our Correspondent.)

London August 27.

(Continued from Yesterday)

How Germans Feel.
The following letter was found on a German officer taken prisoner recently by the French. It is dated from Berlin last May, is addressed to "My dear Otto," and is specially interesting as a frank revelation of what is passing in the mind of a German of the "cultured" classes: "I understand your feelings; to a large extent I share them. This war is long, atrocious, inhuman; your lassitude and that of your men does not surprise me. With us, at the rear, it is sometimes worse. In spite of the daily destruction which we make of the Russians there are times when the optimism of the strongest trembles. When the other day we learnt that the Italian treason had come to a head poor Bertha had a fit of despair. It is true that her Carl had left her for the first time in his life the night before, dressed in the military uniform. You know that in spite of his asthma and his forty-six years he has joined the active Army and will probably be fighting in six weeks. Our reserves of men begin, alas! to be terribly broken into. However, the moral of the nation continues firm. The communiques give them sufficient pasture daily on the side of Russia and the exploits of the submarines. One tightens one's belt philosophically and one counts on victory for to-morrow. With us educated men, confidence is perhaps less assured, but I am anxious to calm your anxiety and assure you that, all said and done, it subsists. Naturally one no longer believes in the crushing of the enemy in the way the National Liberals and other fanatics dream, but I firmly believe that with a little more courage and a little more of that diplomatic skill which we have sometimes lacked, we may expect that honourable peace, that white peace, which will leave Germany the formidable glory of having held the whole world in check, will consolidate her prestige in Europe and will allow her in twenty years, having repaired the breaches, to establish her hegemony there. On what do I base this conviction? First, on our patriotism, on our sense of discipline, on our genius for organisation, and then, before all, on the incapacity for organisation of our adversaries. Ah! certainly, if they united their resources with our qualities of initiative and method, we should be lost. At the thought of what we should do in the place of the French, at the thought of what would threaten us if they knew how to utilise the forces of the Allies, as we have succeeded in maintaining those of the Austrians and the Turks, I shudder. We should be destroyed like Mr. Winston Churchill's rats. But the Governments of the Allies do not speak badly, sometimes better than our own, but they set less. If you wish to know my prognosis, here it is: on

the Russian side, we shall continue to heap up victories which will not lead us to St. Petersburg, but the Germans are henceforth far enough from Berlin to be persuaded in the end to give up their intention of entering it. On the Italian side, when we have sufficiently pulled their ears, our Allies will be very glad to carry off a small piece of the Trentino. King Asseria, while grumbling, will end all right by giving it up to her. The real danger for us has never been, and never will be, anywhere except in the West. Let us hold on another few weeks, a few months at the most, when the menace of a winter campaign will be decided, France will hang back. At that moment a bit of bread and a few kind words and we shall be friends.

And in twenty years, it will be she who, willingly or unwillingly, will help us to finally eliminate Russia from Europe and England from the Empire of the seas. These are my prophecies; I am quite ready to confess besides that I am not infallible, and I recognise with a good grace that if John Bull and Jacques Bonhomme were capable of making an effort like the Germans, we should be done for. But they are not. Then, good courage. Hold firm till the end. "Deutschland über alles."

Play at The Front.
A sapper in the Royal Engineers, who before the war was a telephone operator, employed in an office in the Strand, tells in a letter home (quoted by the Morning Post) how he and his comrades work and play. "We stopped," he says, "for a night and two days in a school, and on the third day moved off soon after dinner for our advanced billets. After leaving the village we marched in single file (one file each side of the road) under the trees, as the road is under observation from the German lines. After marching a few miles, we halted in a ruined village, and were told to move off in batches of three men, a hundred yards between each batch, as we had to pass through open country over a hill, and if we marched in large bodies no doubt we should have been shelled. Passing over the hill we could see our destination down in a small valley. And what a sight it was. Every building in the place was in ruins. There were two large chateaux smashed to bits. A brewery had been mined in the centre, and tons of machinery had crashed down through the vaults below. In our billet we had sand-bags full of straw and several chairs and tables, and we slept and lived like lords, for there were lots of orchards around us. We had to put up barbed wire entanglements in front of trenches, and for three nights we never had a shot fired at us, but we walked about as if we were at home. But on the fourth night we had a machine gun trained on us five times. The first time it was directed to the left of us, and so we had a chance to get down before the fire swept across where we were lying. The bullets were whizzing over our heads in dozens, and hitting the wire and the stakes we had driven in the ground. To get back to the trench we had to

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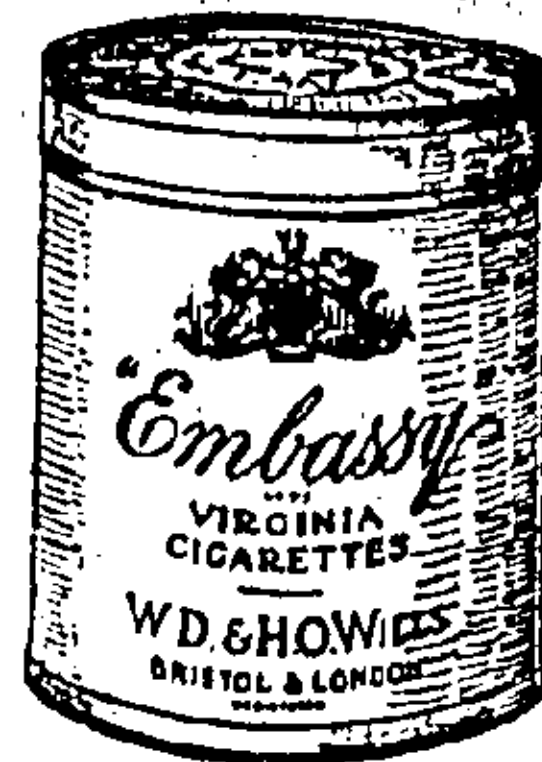
up in Tirene Bay. The men worked from sunset, and had one afternoon free only during the whole time. The last few days were taken up practising with the aeroplanes. We anchored off shore and fired at a target the other side of the island. The aeroplane told us where the shots fell and we corrected the aim till the target was hit. Tuesday, July 6, was the day of the first attempt, and one of the worst I ever had or am likely to have. We were at our stations from 8.45 a.m. till 4.45 p.m. and 11 hours of that were under fire. The engine-room people were not relieved the whole time, and they were down there the whole time in a temperature of 132-135°. It was hot up in the top, but child's play to the engine room. We hit the Konigberg six times at least, and I believe set her on fire—that was early in the day. Then we lost the target, and I doubt whether we hit her again, though we tried all day till 4 o'clock.

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HONGKONG, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1915.

BULGARIA, THE ALLIES AND THE ENEMY.

Naturally the topic of the moment is the chances of Bulgaria's bowing to Russia's decree of her seeing the better and following the worse by defying the ultimatum. Throughout, the general belief has been that she would not take the latter course; that her people, being remarkably astute in a general way, would see the direction wherein lay their main interests and would mind their own business, leaving the Allies and the Austro-Turco-Germans to mind theirs. For that belief there were reasons by the score, while there was next to no argument in favour of the likelihood of her adopting a course which would compel the Entente to regard her as an enemy. To take the last first, there are, of course, the facts that King Ferdinand is a German and that his consort is likewise; that anti-Greek feeling is decidedly strong in Bulgaria and has been for some years past, and that there are Bulgarian politicians who fancy that they see the day when the Tear of all the Russias will seek to incorporate the Slaves of the Balkans with his own people, unless he is opposed while there is yet time.

Any or all of these reasons why Bulgaria should involve herself in a war which could bring her no good are slender enough, and at a time when popular excitement was well curbed they would be laughed at. Against them can be cited such facts as the undying hatred which the Bulgarians must surely bear towards Turkey on account of centuries of unprovoked brutality; the national distrust of a Sovereign who has no racial connection with the people and whose religious Faith is other than theirs; the unprosperous condition of the country's exchequer and its inability to give really material help to Turkey or Germany (other than by allowing passage through her territory) with an army whose numbers can hardly be made to touch the half-million mark and without a navy at all. Bulgaria is, comparatively speaking, powerless to do extensive harm without being punished out of existence. On the East she offers nearly a hundred miles of Black Sea coastline to the guns of Russian warships and, on the south, a similar stretch, available for any vessel—British, French, Italian or Greek—that chances to come along, to take shots at. Territorially she has Roumania to the north of her, Serbia to the west, and a useful piece of Greece to the south. Her people's information as to the past and present story of the war must be infinitely wider and more accurate than that possessed by unofficial Germans, Austrians or Turks, and they cannot fail to be aware of the pitfalls wherewith they would at once find themselves surrounded if they entered into the war. As we remarked a week or two ago, their accepting Germany's hollow offers and promises might perchance prolong the war for a few weeks, but certainly not for more; and the punishment ultimately to be dealt out to them by the Allies would be poorly balanced by the brief excitement arising out of their being able for five minutes to regard themselves as the enemies of Russia and her Allies.

Though there may be political factions whose plans may be furthered by the assumption of ignorance, at bottom the Bulgarians cannot fail to know that Germany's intention is to use them as a tool. It may be that our enemy's scheme, following his insane love of causing as much slaughter and damage as possible, is merely to add to the general amount of inconvenience that is being brought upon the Allies; but it is quite as likely that he may see in Bulgarian intervention a quicker road out of his misery. Clearly Bulgaria can hardly take sides with Turkey without risking the chance of bringing in Greece and even Roumania on the opposite side; equally clearly, to bring them in is to hasten the final downfall of Turkey and therefore of Germany. But can Bulgaria afford thus to make a pawn of herself in the Kaiser's little game?

Buildings in Chinatown.

The fatal fire at Wanchai, reported in our issue of yesterday, illustrates for the thousandth time the lamentable unwisdom of past Hongkong Governments in allowing the Chinese to build just how and where they chose. It appears that the firemen's movements were very seriously hampered by the narrowness of the thoroughfare in which the fire occurred, and that the hose had to be carried over adjoining roofs before it could be made to play on the flames. The present Government cannot be held responsible for the misdeeds of its predecessors; but it might at least take warning by what has happened in the past. It knows perfectly well that in scores of neighbourhoods there are houses which, in the public interest, ought to be pulled down straightaway, whether the owners like it or dislike it. At the time of the Tsingtau tragedy of two years ago we were at some pains to point out that there were hundreds of other houses in the Colony which were no more safe than those whose collapse caused such terrible loss of life. The Government knows, too, that there are scores of filthy, narrow alleys dignified by the name of "streets" which have no right to exist and which, in the event of an outbreak of fire the firemen would have the utmost difficulty in reaching. We don't want to see Hongkong run on some patent town-planning scheme, but there is a reasonable medium between that and permitting rookeries, that would be a disgrace even to Canton, to remain standing in a British Colony.

Chinese Imports and Exports.

An American Consular report which we published yesterday told some gloomy truths as to the situation of China where imports and exports are concerned. At Chungking, during 1914, while foreign imports showed only a very slight gain, the native imports were found to have increased by more than fifty per cent. Exports were markedly lower than imports, which, as the report says, "creates an unfavourable balance of trade." It adds that the increase in native imports over foreign indicates that "in many lines the native article is replacing the foreign product owing to the cheapness of the former and the increasing facilities for local manufacture." This is a state of things with which many British firms have long been endeavouring in vain to cope, and one that, unless the native merchants are brought to see the error of their ways, may prove disastrous to foreign commerce.

The Imitation Article.

It goes without saying that imitation has a fatal charm for the Chinese and also that, as a rule, they are perfectly content with the spurious when it can be acquired more cheaply than the real. When the Germans supplied them with trumpery firearms and with cartridges containing wooden bullets, many of them must have been aware that they were not getting the genuine article; yet they were perfectly happy in their possession of the sham. Since the Revolution, China has been handicapped then ever at infringing patents and copyrights; at selling native biscuits in Huxley and Palmer's tins, and at manufacturing imitations—sometimes clever, sometimes ludicrously blundering—of any and every commodity introduced by foreign firms, from Krupp razors to Sunlight Soap. We have seen knives and tools with the names of reputable Sheffield firms cut on them, which were certainly made in or near Canton. Where the shoe pinches the foreign trader in general is in the fact that even those Chinese who know, leave alone those who do not know, are usually quite content with these shams and therefore are not going to buy the more expensive foreign commodity. Much of this will doubtless be altered when a definite understanding is come to between the Chinese and British Governments on trade mark questions, but there will still remain much of the old tendency to buy what is cheap and nasty. Altogether the outlook for foreign firms is not so good as it might be.

DAY BY DAY.

THERE IS NOTHING EITHER GOOD OR BAD, BUT THINKING MAKES IT SO.—Hamlet.

The Weather.

Lower level 8 a.m. Temp. 80; sunbino.
At the Peak 8 a.m. Temp. 73; sunbino.

The Mails.

European Mail (via Negapatam)—Due per s.s. Namsang to-morrow.
Siberian Mail.—Due per s.s. Nore to-morrow.
Siberian Mail.—Closed per s.s. Liangchow to-day at 3 p.m.
American Mail.—Closed per s.s. Mongolia to-morrow at noon.

Share Market News—Opening

Official Quotations.
Banks.—\$830, sellers.
North China Insurance.—Tls. 172, buyers.
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Shanghai Cottons.—\$94, buyers.

Light and Power.—\$4.35, buyers.

Langkate.—Tls. 384, buyers.

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The Dollar.

The rate of the dollar on demand to-day is 1s 9 13/16d.

To-morrow's Anniversary
To-morrow is the 95th anniversary of the birth of Jenny Lind (Madame Goldschmidt).

The Motor Ambulance.
Lady May acknowledges with thanks a donation toward the Motor Ambulance Fund from Mrs. Rewell.

Clothing Stolen.
A Japanese shoemaker of Wyndham Street, reports to the police that some person has stolen \$2.50 worth of his clothing.

Lady's Loss.
Mrs. Beavie, 64, the Peak, has reported to the police that some person has stolen from a drawer in her bedroom \$30 in notes.

Cigarette and Tobacco Fund.
We have pleasure in acknowledging the receipt of \$5 from Mr. J. H. Woolcott for the Cigarette and Tobacco Fund.

Notice to Consignees.
Consignees are informed that goods ex s.s. Mongolia if undelivered to-morrow at noon will be subject to both landing and storage charges.

H.K.C.C. Tennis Tournament.
The final match in the Tennis tournament which was to have been played last night has been postponed till Friday, October 8 at 5 p.m.

Sent to the Hospital.
A Chinese has been sent to the hospital suffering from injuries caused by being knocked down by tramcar No. 23, in Des Voeux Road West.

Jewellery Stolen.
Edwardo Rozario reports to the police that some person stole from 4, Mosque Street, jewellery valued \$100 contained in a tin box, which was in a wardrobe.

The French Convent.
The French Convent annual bazaar will take place to-morrow in the New Convent at Causeway Bay. Lady May will open that part of the establishment which has been completed, at 10.30 a.m.

Dynamite.
At the Police Court, this morning, a Chinese was fined \$50 or in default two months' imprisonment for being in unlawful possession of eighteen sticks of dynamite, on a junk at Deep Bay.

NOTES ON THE CRISIS.

THE FIGHTING ROUND DWINES.

Sir John French's Despatch.

In reading any despatch, large or small, from Sir John French one always has to keep before one's mind the fact that he is not given to enthusiasm and that, though he cannot be accused of pessimistic tendencies, extreme caution has always been his distinguishing mark. All this necessarily adds to the hopefulness in and the general value of any positive statement to which he may at times commit himself. But does he ever commit himself? Only very rarely, and then not to a bewildering extent. His lengthy despatch which arrived during the night goes as far as any of his statements—perhaps a little farther—in the direction of sanguineness, and it is even marked by one or two assertions that are very positive indeed:—"We have reached a definite stage;" "Our allies in the south pierced the enemy's last line of entrenchments;" "The operations of the British have been most successful and have had great and important results," but even these remarks he only makes when the facts which they relate have already become common knowledge. And yet one knows—because it is Sir John French who writes this—that all is well. He counts no chickens while they are still in the shell; but Britishers would rather have a nod or a half-hint from him than a volume of promises and forecasts from the average man.

The Four and Twenty Hours.

That twenty-four hours' grace is over now, and all of us would give a good deal to know the decision at which Bulgaria has arrived. Probably by the time these lines are in print we shall all know. Since the wire which announced the ultimatum we have received nothing concerning Bulgaria save the text of the Note and a not too promising statement from Athens to the effect that some German aviators have arrived in Sofia and that German skilled labourers are passing on from Constantinople to Bulgarian territory. No one can complain that Petrograd's Note is lacking in definiteness, and it administers a nasty little smack in asking how on earth the Bulgarian Premier could continue to maintain that the mobilisation of his countrymen was a purely defensive measure when it was obviously dictated by the Germans. In the light of the Note, Bulgaria does not show up too well.

What Russia is Doing.

When a German communiqué announces in effusive fashion that nothing important has occurred we may safely take it that lying is toward, and that in reality there is a good deal doing. Among other things it would appear from the Russian communiqué that the Germans are crumbling, in places, just as they have been doing on the Western front. A later wire from Ruster's own correspondent at Petrograd enlarges on the disastrous failure of the German "thrust" eastwards between Drinsk and Vilna. There is not much room for doubt as to whether this was turned back or not. Indeed, on a smaller scale, the same sort of thing seems to have happened as has been taking place in the other parts of the field: the Germans and Austrians trying to hack their way out of an awkward corner in which smarter Generals would never have placed them, and only succeeding in riding or marching to their death.

LANGKAT OUTPUT.

Messrs. Wright and Hornby advise us that the Langkat output for the current month is as follows:—
October 1 ... Tons 200
" 2 ... " 198
" 3 ... " 201
" 4 ... " 209
Total to 4th inst. ... 808
Daily average ... 202.00

CHURCH NOTES.

Sittings.

Sittings may be rented (\$15 a year, payable in advance) on application to the Hon. Secretary to the Church Body.

Saints' Days.

The Saints' Days in October are St. Luke's Day on the 18th and the feast of St. Simon and St. Jude on the 28th. There will be Holy Communion on these days at 8 a.m.

The Flower Fund.

Mrs. Pollock, who is Hon. Treasurer of the Flower Fund, is anxious to receive quite small sums in subscriptions to that Fund these may be sent to her either at the Cathedral or at her house No. 128 The Peak.

The Peak Church.

The Sunday evening service at 6.30 p.m. is being continued for a few more Sundays. The attendance has been very satisfactory, though it has, of course, had the effect of reducing the congregation at the Cathedral.

Wednesday Evening.

From the beginning of this month the Wednesday Evening will be at 5.30 p.m., instead of 6.30 p.m. as it has been in the summer months. It is a service which might be much better attended than it is. Perhaps the winter months will see an increasing attendance.

Disposal of Collections.

On Sunday, the 17th, the Collections at the Cathedral will be given to the Hospital. It is hoped that in spite of the many fresh calls which are now being made upon us all, the deserving cause of the sick will not suffer. The Hospitals to which the collections are given are the Alice Memorial Hospital in this City and the O. M. S. Hospital at Pakhoi.

Confirmation Service.

The Bishop of Victoria, as already announced, proposes to administer the rite of confirmation in the Cathedral on St. Thomas' Day, December 21. It is hoped to commence the classes for instruction early this month. The clergy would be glad to receive as soon as possible the names of those who wish to be confirmed. We would remind godfathers and godmothers that it is their duty to see that their godchildren are confirmed.

Obituary.

An old resident and regular member of the Cathedral Congregation passed away last month in the person of Mr. G. J. B. Sayer, after a long illness patiently borne. In the last few years he had much trouble in the death of two sons. Lately he has been very active as the Hon. Secretary of the fund for sending tobacco and cigarettes to the troops. Much sympathy will be given to Mrs. Sayer and the family in their bereavement. May he rest in peace.

The Cathedral Organ.

The last section of the work in connection with the organ has now been put in hand and it is hoped will be completed in about three weeks. The recent recital was very fairly attended but the collection realized only just over fifty-six dollars, and as the expenses of advertising are rather heavy the organ fund will not substantially benefit. Mr. Denman Fuller hopes to give another special Recital in aid of the organ fund about the middle of the coming month, as the amount in hand is not nearly sufficient to meet the expenditure absolutely necessary not merely for the repair, but for the preservation of the instrument.

The Diocesan Boys' School.

During the summer holidays electric light was installed in the school buildings and has proved very satisfactory, and it is hoped that when the initial expense has been paid there will be a considerable saving in the cost of lighting. Mr. A. F. Mills, who was formerly a master in the school, wrote recently from the trenches, saying he was well. A story is being told of two of our old boys, one being an officer in the R. A. M. C., who recently met somewhere near the fighting line, and sitting down started a conversation in Chinese, much to the amazement of their companions. The recent local examination at the Hongkong University shows that our school has done very well, fifteen boys having passed the junior examination, with distinction in sixteen subjects and seventeen the senior,

A YEAR AGO TO-DAY.

LEADING EVENTS IN THE GREAT WAR.

Extracts from the war news contained in the "Hongkong Telegraph" of October 5, 1914.

Bermuda's War-gift Accepted.
Mr. Lewis Harcourt has gratefully accepted the war gift from Bermuda of \$3,450 per annum for fifteen years.

French Capture German Trenches.
On the Left Wing, the battle is in full progress. In the Arras region no decision has yet been reached. The fighting has been less violent between the upper valley of the Ancre and the Somme and between the Somme and the Oise. We have progressed in the Soissons region, where the enemy's trenches have been captured. A full continuous along almost all the remainder of the front. We have made some progress in Woerthe between Apremont and the Meuse and on Rupt-de-Mad.

Germans Fleeing Before Russians.

The battle of Augustovka ended on the 3rd inst., in a complete defeat of the Germans, who are fleeing towards the frontier of Eastern Prussia, pursued by the Russians.

POLICE RESERVE ORDERS.

Reserve Orders issued to-day by Mr. F. O. Jenkin, D. S. P. (Reserve) state:—

Patrols.
Central, Eastern and Water Police Patrols for October 5th to 7th are as published in orders of October 4th—5th.

Parades Etc.
Wednesday, October 6th.—Re-issue of rifles to 2nd Platoons of Nos. 2 and 3 Companies, 5.30 p.m.

Thursday, October 7th.—Combined Parade in uniform at Central Police Station, 9.15 p.m.

Friday, October 8th.—Return of rifles by 3rd Platoons of Nos. 2 and 3 Companies, 5.30 p.m.

Joined.
O. N. Lindsay to No. 1 Company.

Leave.
Crown Sergeant Evans, leaving for active service at the Front, has leave until his return to the Colony.

Prayer and Intercession.
The Bishop proposes to hold a meeting for Prayer and Intercession at St. Paul's College on the third Monday in the month, at 6 p.m., during the winter months. Last winter there was a very good attendance at these meetings and it is hoped that there will be as good an attendance this winter. With the terrible war still continuing and showing no sign of drawing to a close, Christian people should see a clear call to prayer and intercession. God has a purpose in allowing this War, and as soon as His purpose is fulfilled the War will be brought to a close, and not before. Christian people are therefore bound to wait upon God and to learn from Him what His purpose is, so that we may hasten its fulfilment. We are repeatedly told of the religious spirit which manifests itself amongst the soldiers at the front. Face to face with death, they feel that Judgment, Heaven and Hell are realities to be thought about and faced. Out in this far-off corner of the Empire, the War does not touch us so closely, and many find it difficult to realise the gravity of the crisis. Half an hour a day spent in prayer for our country would help to make us feel the momentous issues which are now hanging in the balance.

ROYAL HONGKONG
YACHT CLUB.

Annual General Meeting.

Two meetings of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club were held at the club house last evening, one for the purpose of confirming the resolution recently passed at an extraordinary general meeting, expelling enemy subjects from membership, and the other, the annual general meeting of members. The commodore, Mr. Frank Smyth presided over a good attendance.

The chairman proposed, the Hon. Mr. Pollock K.C. seconded and the meeting carried the following resolutions:—

1.—That it is not for the comfort or convenience of the Members of the Club as a whole, or of the Subscribers or Visitors thereto, that any Member who is the subject of a Nation between which and Great Britain a state of war exists should continue to be a Member of the Club.

2.—That the Articles of Association be accordingly altered by the insertion of the following additional paragraph at the end of Article XXXII, namely:—
"Any Member who is the subject of a Nation between which and Great Britain a state of war exists shall *ipso facto* cease to be a Member of the Club and shall no longer be entitled to any of the privileges of the Club."

The chairman:—From this moment enemy subjects cease to be members of this club. (Applause).

At the annual General meeting, the Chairman proposed the adoption of the report and accounts. In doing so he remarked that notwithstanding a reduction in income on account of the war, and that Volunteering had occupied the time of many members of the club, the finances were in a satisfactory condition and they could congratulate themselves that they had come out of the season passed off very satisfactorily. The prizes had been well worth competing for and the racing had always been keen. There had been a question as to whether the method of handicapping adopted had been quite right, but doubtless the incoming committee would take that matter into consideration and if necessary rectify it.

The following are the results of the season's racing.

Race.	Date.	Yacht.	Points.	Owner.
Championship 1914/15		Cruisers:—		
		(1) Scotcaden 48 Messrs. Blair and Lowe.		
		(2) Miranda 46 G. K. H. Brutton, Esq.		
Championship 1914/15		Handicap Class:—		
		(1) La Linda 58 A. L. Shielde, Esq.		
		(2) Dione 52 Sir F. H. May, K.C.M.G.		
Championship 1914/15		One Design Class:—		
		(1) Ailea 38 Capt. Arthur.		
		(2) Allanah 31 Messrs. Sutherland and Lang.		
Opening Cruise 21/11/14		Cruisers:—		
		(1) Queen Bee F. Smyth, Esq.		
		(2) Erin Lieut. Mann.		
Opening Cruise 21/11/14		Visitors:—		
		(1) Thecla J. W. Gloyn, Esq.		
		(2) Sirius W. O. Lambert, Esq.		
Opening Cruise 21/11/14		Ladies Race:—		
		(all classes)		
		(1) Dione Miss May		
		(2) Kathleen Miss Baker Brown.		
Opening Cruise 21/11/14		Motor Boat:—		
		(1) Titania J. H. Wilson, Esq.		
		(2) Lagan W. Logan, Esq.		
Belgian Cup 5/4/15		Cruisers:—		
		(1) Lady Godiva J. Dalziel, Esq.		
		(2) Evadne G. G. Wood, Esq.		
"Lassie" Cops 5/4/15		Handicap Class:—		
		(1) Dione Sir F. H. May, K.C.M.G.		
		(2) La Linda A. L. Shielde, Esq.		
Belgian Cup 5/4/15		One Design & Heyward Hays:—		
		(1) Alice R. E. Atwell, Esq.		
		(2) Thecla J. W. Gloyn, Esq.		
Belgian Cup 5/4/15		Ladies Race:—		
		(all classes)		
		(1) Lysebeth Mrs. Stoneman.		
		(2) Ailea Mrs. Arthur.		
Belgian Cup 5/4/15		Motor Boats:—		
		(1) Ivy Mrs. J. H. Taggart.		
		(2) Volunteer Mrs. Lakmannoff.		
Scotcaden Cup 11/4/15		Cruisers:—		
		(1) Miranda G. K. H. Brutton, Esq.		
Commodore's Cup 1/5/15		(All classes):—		
		(1) Dione Sir F. H. May, K.C.M.G.		
Commodore's Cup 8/5/15		Cruisers:—		
		(1) Miranda G. K. H. Brutton, Esq.		

The following were the various reports:—
Report of General Committee. During the past year eleven members and seven subscribers joined and twenty-three resigned. The working account shows a profit of \$538.73 as against last year's profit of \$740.98.

The furniture and fittings have again this year been written off. Club House account stands at \$259 less than in last year's balance sheet and the value of boats and cars has been written down to \$800.

The Club House is in excellent repair and our thanks are due to Mr. E. W. Carpenter for his assistance in carrying out the repairs that were necessary throughout the year.

The following debentures were duly redeemed on February 28, 1915, Nos. 122, 171, 285 and 343 in the presence of Mr. F. B. L. Bowley who very kindly lent his services. Our thanks are due to the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C. for the benefit of his legal advice in dealing with certain matters of importance; and also to Messrs. A. R. Lowe and D. K. Blair for their services in auditing the Accounts for this year.

Rowing Committee. We regret to report that it was impossible to hold a regatta this year. The boats are all in good repair. It is hoped that we may look forward to a resumption of interest in rowing as soon as present conditions will allow.

Sailing Committee. The sailing season has been one of the most successful for years. The weather conditions for every race being quite favourable with the exception of the seventh championship race which had to be resailed.

The championship events brought out a very representative number of starters and were well contested throughout as the difference in points between first and second boats in each class shows. A most successful opening cruise was held on November 21 last, but the sea on opening thus late, owing to the war, was consequently rather rough and the end season passed off very satisfactorily. On April 5 however, races were competing for and the racing had always been keen. There had been a question as to whether the method of handicapping adopted had been quite right, but doubtless the incoming committee would take that matter into consideration and if necessary rectify it.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[The opinions expressed by the correspondents are not necessarily those of the Hongkong Telegraph.]

THE USE OF TACT.

(To the Editor of the Hongkong Telegraph.)

Sir:—A hundred years ago a certain Scottish poet and philosopher wrote:—

"O wad some poo'er the giftie gie us,
The see 'corral' as others see us."

It would save many an error free us.

And foolish notion.

Perhaps if the Powers that be at the Central Police Station were to occasionally remember the foregoing lines; they might (?) then be a little less churlish and boorish to ladies calling for permits to leave the Colony. Is it too much to expect from such a quarter; the use of a little tact, and the civilities of everyday life. Yours etc.

SCOTTY.
Canton, 5. 10. 15.

KWANGTUNG FLOOD
RELIEF FUND.

Subscription List No. 49.
The Tung Wah Hospital begn to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the Kwangtung Flood Relief Fund.
Chinese Chamber of Commerce, Bangkok \$3215 50.

For Mr. H. Playfair from Saigon:—
Luis Oquias & Co. \$100
Hui Bin Hong Fung Hung \$500
Kim Yoo \$50, Y. Long \$10, Kwong Cheong \$50, Ly Kim \$20
Kong Sun \$50, Yu Ka Euang \$50, \$330 Saigon Currency—\$899.11.

Per Mr. Ng Mui Chuen from Onium Revenue, Branch Office 142.00.

Staff of Kwong Yut Cheong, barber shop, \$132.95.

Mr. Leung Lu Kai 5.00

Already acknowledged \$552, 528 91.

Total \$550,893.53.

THE PEAK CLUB.

Donation to St. John's Ambulance Association.

As a result of the Pianoforte Recital given at the Peak Club on September 4 last, by Mr. Donnan Fuller, in aid of the St. John's Ambulance Association, a cheque for \$419.40 has been handed over to Mr. E. Ralphs the Honorary Secretary.

HONGKONG TRAMWAY
COMPANY LIMITED.

The approximate statement of Traffic Receipts for week ending October 2, 1915.

Receipts Aggregate for week ending for 40 weeks.
This Year:—\$10,507 \$438 294
Last Year:—10,694 450,317
Increase:—187 20,023
Decrease:—

The following were elected officers for the ensuing year:—
Commodore:—Mr. F. Smyth; Yachting Committee, Rear Admiral Anstruther, Capt. Thomas Arthur, Messrs. D. K. Blair, R. Sutherland, A. D. Wilson, and the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock K.C.; Rowing Committee, Col. H. E. Messrs. E. W. Carpenter, A. G. Rouse, F. A. Bide, T. A. Loughlin, and E. B. Reed, Hon. Secretary, Mr. T. A. Loughlin.

At the close of the proceedings the Chairman proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Carpenter who had done good service during the year in looking after the club's property and in looking after the ramp. He had also to notify them that an opening cruise would probably be held on the last Saturday of the month when the programme would consist of a cruiser race and a ladies' race afterwards. The racing season would open the first or second Saturday after that.

The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock K.C. seconded the proposed vote of thanks which was carried unanimously.

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ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY.

ANNUAL MEETING LAST
EVENING.

The annual meeting of the Hongkong St. Andrew's Society was held at the City Hall last evening, the Hon. Mr. D. Landale, President, presiding. Those present included Messrs. D. Macdonald, Vice-president, R. Henderson, Acting Hon. Secretary, M. A. Murray, Hon. Treasurer, R. M. Dyer, A. Forbes, W. C. Jack and Dr. O. Forsyth, committee.

Mr. McNeill called attention to the fact that many of those present at the meeting, who were sitting at the back, could not hear what was about to transpire owing to the noise of the tramsets, outside, and he suggested they should go into another room.

The Chairman said the room they were now in was the only one available, as the other was under repair. They were in St. Andrew's Hall and he hoped they would make the best of it.

Mr. McNeill then suggested that in future the committee should get another hall in which they would hold the meeting.

The Chairman in the course of a speech, in which he moved that the report and accounts, as presented, be passed, said they regretted to have to record during the year, the death of Mr. J. J. Keswick and Captain G. C. Anderson, past Presidents of the Society, both well known Scotsmen in Hongkong, who had still many friends here to mourn their loss. Another old member they had lost was Mr. W. Taylor, who had died during the year after a long illness, and Mr. C. N. G. Walker's name appeared in the country's Roll of Honour, killed in action in the Dardanelles. Turning to the accounts they would see that they had disbursed the sum of \$973 in giving assistance to some of their countrymen during the year; they were all deserving cases and were carefully inquired into by the committee. They carried forward a balance of \$127.13, and had, in addition, \$5,000 on deposit. The concert, which was held on St. Andrew's Day, enabled them to subscribe the sum of \$2,506 to the Prince of Wales Fund. The thanks of the members were due to the special committee, who, under the able guidance of Mr. R. Sutherland, arranged the musical programme. The expenses of the concert, for various reasons, exceeded the estimate, but they had to remember that the expense of a concert was not an easy matter to estimate and the system of payment for refreshments by ticket did not work as smoothly as they anticipated. If this year it was decided to give another concert, the experience gained last year would be of value to the incoming committee. He had no doubt they would be able to improve on last year's arrangements with last year's experience before them. Their Hon. Secretary, Mr. Shields, had resigned on leaving Hongkong and the work of Hon. Secretary had been ably carried out by Mr. Henderson, since Mr. Shields had left (Applause). He

did not think there was anything else to refer to in the report and accounts and he now begged to propose that the report and accounts be adopted as presented. Mr. D. Macdonald seconded and the resolution was carried unanimously.

A member suggested that the officers and committee should be re-elected en bloc this year.

The Chairman said he thought it wiser to follow the custom of annual election. They could put who they liked in office again. They would have to elect a new President for the ensuing year as he hoped to go Home early in the spring so he would be unable to act, even if he were elected to act. He did not think they should let St. Andrew's Day pass without some recognition, which they could discuss after they had elected the President, Vice-President and committee. There might be things crop up during the year and the President and the committee would have to deal with them, therefore he would like to propose Mr. Donald Macdonald as President for the ensuing year. He felt that no words of his were required to commend his appointment to them. Mr. Macdonald was an old member of that Society and had done very much good work on its behalf. He was an ornament of an honourable profession to which many of their countrymen belonged and in this time of war he held a rank senior to any other Scotsman in the Hongkong Volunteers. He thought the society would be very fortunate if Mr. Macdonald accepted the Presidency for this year. He had very much pleasure in proposing him as President (Applause).

Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar said he had very much pleasure in seconding the President's proposal.

The resolution was carried with enthusiasm.

The newly elected President returned thanks to the retiring President for the kind words he had said concerning him and he thanked the members for the very high honour they had conferred upon him. He felt that he had had conferred upon him an honour he had not expected. He would promise that during the ensuing year, whatever duties devolved upon him he would endeavour to carry out to the best of his ability. (Applause).

Other officers elected were:—
Vice President, Mr. G. M. Young; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. M. A. Murray; Hon. Secretary, Mr. R. Henderson; Committee, Dr. O. Forsyth, Messrs. R. M. Dyer, A. Forbes, W. C. Jack, and R. Sutherland.

It was decided to celebrate St. Andrew's Day by another concert. The President thought the expenses should not run to more than \$200 or \$300.

Mr. Sutherland argued that it was not politic to tie the hands of the committee by fixing such a limit. He spoke from experience when he said that it was an inadequate estimate for a concert which would be in keeping with the traditions of their Society. They had no desire to go begging for the band free, the hall free, etc., and make it a charity performance since it was the St. Andrew's Society Concert.

It was then decided to leave the matter to the committee to arrange.

A vote of thanks to the retiring President, brought the meeting to a close.

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Publications affected.— Admiralty List of Lights and Time Signals, Part VI, Australia Directory, Vol. II.

"Sailing Directions and other information for the Ports and Harbours of Queensland." Charts affected.— Admiralty Charts Nos. 2819, 2820, 2854, 3088, 2784, 780.

By Direction, STEPHEN MILLS, Comptroller-General of Customs.

JOSHUA F. RAMSBOTHAM, Director of Lighthouses.

Department of Trade and Customs, Melbourne, 15th August, 1915.

Japanese Shipowners' Finance Methods.

About thirty years ago it was the custom of certain shipbuilders in the United Kingdom to accept orders for the construction of cargo steamers from all sorts and conditions of people on the payment of £500 in cash and the balance over a number of years.

This, Fairplay states, continued for twenty years, when heavy losses by shipbuilders and bankers put a stop to the system; with the result that a very much larger amount has now to be paid in cash than in the old days.

Japanese cargo-boat owners have hitherto confined their attention to purchasing second-hand steamers in Europe at cheap rates, and have been able to make very large profits owing to low working expenses and the fact that the vessels were insured against total loss only.

With increased prosperity these owners have recently decided to build new steamers, and a comparatively large number of cargo steamers have been contracted for with Japanese builders. It is impossible for the owners in many cases to provide the necessary cash, and the old British system of £500 down not having so far been adopted in Japan, arrangements have been made with some of the builders whereby a fourth of the purchase price is to be paid in cash, one-fourth is lent by the builders at 10 per cent., and 50 per cent. by the Insurance Companies at 12 per cent., the latter companies stipulating that the whole of the insurance of the vessel are to be placed with them.

It will thus be seen, continues Fairplay, that owing to the very high rates of interest current in Japan, Japanese shipowners might conceivably, during a depression, find it impossible to pay the enormous rates of interest charged, which represent a charge of over 8 per cent. on the total cost of the steamer for interest alone, so that, with depreciation 15 per cent would have to be set aside before any profit can accrue to the shipowner. No doubt in time, and with competition on the part of the builders for orders, plus the heavy bounty given to Japanese shipbuilders, we shall have the same state of affairs existing in Japan as existed in the United Kingdom a quarter of a century ago.

Already I hear of one or two Japanese captains with limited means having placed orders for new ships. Judging by the profits made by Japanese Companies and the number of vessels building in Japan, British shipowners in the East will have to submit to much keener competition in the future than they have experienced in the past.

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH.

EXTRA

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1915.

TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's Service to the "Telegraph."]

THE ALLIES IN THE WEST.

FRENCH SUCCESSES CONTINUE.

October 4, 5.10 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent in Paris says that there is further progress in Artois and a comparative lull in Champagne. The features of a communique are that French progress has continued in Givenchy Wood and Hill 119, where we occupied important cross roads, and that there have been incessant cannonades, wherewith trench mortars played an important part in the districts of Quenneviers and Nouvron; while there were reciprocal bombardments in Champagne and in the neighbourhood of Navarin. An air squadron dropped forty large bombs on Sabrode railway station at Metz. Other French aeroplanes attacked railway lines, junctions and stations behind the German front.

FREIGHT CIRCULAR.

Messrs. Snowman and Company in their Freight Circular dated Hongkong, October 2, state:—

We reported last on the 18th ultimo. During the interval under review extreme dullness has again characterised the freight market, only an occasional fixture here and there breaking the monotony, and prospects for the current month are disheartening. The present scarcity of grain at Bangkok and especially at Saigon are seriously hampering chartering operations for the purchasing markets, Hongkong included.

Saigon/Hongkong:—Chartering business has been almost entirely absent and confined to those vessels employed on the regular run, having to work their way back to this.

As for actual business done, only three charters are reported at 20 cents, 15 cents and 14 cents per picul, and the market closes with no further demand whatsoever. Several vessels getting free at Singapore have been ordered, and will probably be forced to pick up there what little is offering on the berth, the latest quotation being 12 cents per picul—against 45 cents paid only in July last. It is interesting to note the lowest and highest rates paid during this season, according to the fluctuation of the market:—January, 7/17 cents, February, 17/22 cents, March, 24/40 cents, April, 34/50 cents, May, 33/45 cents, June, 34/50 cents, July, 47/54 cents, August, 45/27 cents and September, 24/14 cents.

Rice exports from 1st January to 26th August amounted to 549,210 tons as compared with 694,072 tons during corresponding period of last year. Quotation stands for September/October shipment at \$5.00 per picul f.o.b. Saigon.

From Saigon to Philippines no settlements have taken place on basis of 26,000 piculs at 45 cents to Cebu and 33,000 picul at 35/40 cents to Manila option 2 ports P. I. respectively.

Saigon/Java has also had a further fixture of an "outsider" at the rate of 60 cents per picul for November loading.

Bangkok:—There is still very little doing and with the present scarcity of grain the berth rate may still further decline.

New Crop:—Favourable weather has been experienced of late for the growing crop, and the outlook is now more encouraging. To carry salt from Samay Bay to Canton a small vessel has found employment at \$5.75 per ton.

Newchwang:—Regular liners are quoting 50 cents per picul as opening rate for new crop beans for cargoes of not less than 30,000 piculs. Reports to hand state that a good business has been done by the regular liners to

Swatow and Amoy on basis of 50 cents per picul "Liners terms," with the usual returns to shippers. Local charterers, however, not willing to go in for such big quantities, have eventually taken up a Japanese steamer on lump-sum basis, the rate working out at 43 cents per picul.

Coal freight:—Tonnage Moji to Hongkong for October loading is wanted at \$3.00 per ton.

Fixtures Reported:—Hongkong/Antony, \$3.00 per ton.

Sail Tonnage on the Berth:—None.

Messrs. Snowman & Co's latest advices received from London dated 27th August, 1915 are as follows:—

We confirm our last freight report of the 20th inst., and have very little change to report in the freight market generally. Business has been difficult owing to the continued scarcity of tonnage, although enquiry is not on the large side.

Homeward freights from the East are firm and Philippines had to pay over 115/- to secure a September boat.

Rice charterers are also more prepared to treat for tonnage, and 80/- can be secured for full French range. Lower rates are evidently not anticipated for a considerable time, as merchants are offering owners 11/8 for 12 months time charter commencing from April next, and there are several enquiries for one, two or three years at high figures.

For East:—Although there are one or two orders for beans for September at 82/6, we so far have been unable to secure tonnage for that month's loading, but have closed boats for November and December at this rate.

Philippines:—The steamer referred to last week as having been fixed at 110/-, was requisitioned by our Government, and charterers have had to pay over 115/- to replace her. They are also prepared to take further tonnage on this side.

Rice, Saigon charterers were very fortunate to be able to secure a steamer at 75/- to Marseilles or Havre, option Dunkirk at 78/-.

We do not think they will secure any further tonnage at so low a figure.

Time Charter. These rates have been firmly sustained, and a steamer is reported to have obtained 16/8 for six months trading including B. N. A. Transatlantic trading has obtained tonnage at 14/-, and another steamer has been fixed delivery Australia redelivery U. K., for the trip home at 16/-, the idea being to ship wool.

Charterers are inclined to take up tonnage for long periods, and are offering rates which may be considered fairly high. For instance, a boat 9/7000 tons, twelve decks, can be placed for three years certain at 9/-, and although charterers ask for option of Scandinavia, it is possible they may be able to do without this. For six

THE CARE OF AN INFANT.

Interesting Application at the Supreme Court.

This morning in the Supreme Court, before Mr. Justice Gompertz, an interim injunction was applied for to restrain one Lam Chee Choon from removing an infant Lam Hor Chong, aged fifteen years a scholar in the Diocesan School and Orphanage, from the Colony and from the jurisdiction of the court.

Mr. Eldon Potter, instructed by Mr. H. W. Looker, of Messrs. Deacon, Looker, Deacon and Harston, appeared in support of the application.

The case as outlined by Mr. Potter was that the infant's father, a natural mother were dead. The father, who had left two other widows and another son, had also left considerable property in Penang, Perak and Canton. There was litigation pending and the infant in question had been removed from the care of the guardians appointed by the deceased man, and had only recently been found at the Diocesan School and Orphanage. Mr. Looker wrote to Mr. Piercy asking him not to allow the boy to leave the school without acquainting him. Mr. Piercy by telephone informed Mr. Looker that the infant had been removed that day by a cousin who said the child's grandfather was dead at Canton. The child had not left the Colony and his Lordship, if he granted the injunction would prevent him being taken away. They also asked that the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, should be appointed guardian in the Colony.

The application was granted.

VOLUNTEER ORDERS.

Corps Orders issued to-day by Lieut.-Col. A. Chapman V. D., state:—

Leave. Gunner S. Boulton is granted leave of absence from 7.10.15 to 7.11.15.

Parades. Parades for Wednesday, 6th instant.

5.15 p.m. Signalling Section—Signalling practice at Headquarters. Class I, Morse flags and lamp. Class II, Semaphore flags.

5.30 p.m. Right Section M. G. Co.—Section drill and Skirmishing at Headquarters.

Detail. Gun Club Hill, Kowloon:—On duty until 9th instant—H. K. V. R.

Detention Camp, Kowloon:—On duty until 9th instant—H. K. V. R.

Notice. The Mt. Austin Men's Society has arranged to hold a short entertainment on Wednesday evening of this week, October 6, in the Recreation Hall Mt. Austin Barracks, at 8 p.m.

The entertainment will be open to all.

months easy trading between States/Mediterranean, not east of Pireaus, France not north of Havre 14/- is firmly offering, and a steamer has secured 12/6 for 18 months transatlantic trading, including B.N.A. in season. There are still enquiries on the market for steamers for White Sea routes, both via States and direct from this Country. For the former, although charterers would willingly pay 20/-, tonnage is not forthcoming, and we fully expect they will pay anything between 22/6 25/- before getting an owner willing to entertain the direction. With delivery and redelivery U.K. a prompt boat could easily obtain 27/8 possibly 30/- for one White Sea round, but here again, owners fight shy of this direction.

OUR LONDON LETTER.

(Continued from page 3)

The Konigsberg was dropping salvoes of four very close indeed. We got cheered, when we finally emerged, but the job had not been completed. After two or three days—not rest, not a bit of work tightening up the ship, we finally left about 8 o'clock on Sunday, July 11. All personal gear had been cleared out of the ship—there was not even a chair or a bed, nothing in fact but what was useful. A tug took each of us in tow and away we went. The tug was a bit of guile to deceive the Germans, if they were on the look out, as when we neared the Kikunji mouth of the Hofigi River again we cast off the tow and headed straight for the entrance. We went to general quarters at 10.40 a.m. and were inside the entrance by 11.40. How well we seemed to know the place! I know exactly where the heavily field guns at the mouth would open fire and exactly when they would cease—as we pushed in, and so if their shots went over us they would land on the opposite bank among their own troops. Very soon came the soft whistle of the shell, then again and again—but we were nearing the entrance, and they turned on the Mersey. They hit her twice, wounding two men and knocking down the after 8 in. gun crew; none were hurt, however. We left the Mersey at the place where we anchored last time in the hope that she would draw the Konigsberg's fire and leave us a free hand: The Konigsberg, however, fired one salvo at her and then for the rest of the day concentrated on us. She was plunging us for 17 minutes before we could return her fire. The salvoes of four were dropping closer than ever, if possible, and afterwards almost every man in the ship found a bit of German shell on board as a souvenir. They were everywhere—on the decks, round the engine-room, but not a soul was even scratched. We went on higher up the river than last time, and finally anchored just at the top of "our" old island. As the after 6 in. gun's crew were securing the stern anchor two shells fell, one on either side, within 8 ft. of the side and drenched the quarter-deck. It was a very critical time. If she hit us—we were probably finished—and she came as near as possible without actually touching. We had no sooner anchored and laid the guns than the aeroplane signalled she was ready to spot. Our first four salvoes, at about one minute interval, were all signalled as "Did not observe fall of shot." We came down 400, then another 400 and more to the left. The next was spotted as 200 yards over and about 200 to the right. The next 150 short and 100 to the left. The necessary orders were sent to the gun, and at the seventh salvo we hit with one and were just over with the other. We hit eight times in the next 12 shots! It was frightfully exciting. The Konigsberg was now firing salvoes of three only. The aeroplane signalled all hits were forward—so we came a little left to get her amidships. The machine suddenly signalled "Am hit; coming down; send a boat." And there she was, about half way between us and the Konigsberg, planing down. As they fell they continued to signal our shots, for we of course, kept on firing. The aeroplane fell in the water about 150 yards from the Mersey and turned a somersault; one man was thrown clear, but the other had a struggle to get free. Finally both got away and were swimming for ten minutes before the Mersey's motor-boat rescued them—beating ours by a short head. They were uninjured and as merry as crickets. We kept on firing steadily the whole time; as

we knew we were hitting—about one salvo a minute. The Konigsberg was now firing two guns; within 17 minutes of our opening fire I noticed and logged it down that she was firing two. In a very short time there was a big explosion from the direction of the Konigsberg, and from then on she was never free from smoke, sometimes more, sometimes less—at one moment belching out clouds of black smoke, then yellow, with dull explosions from time to time. We kept on firing regularly ourselves, one salvo to the minute—or perhaps two salvoes in three minutes—but the gunlayers were told to keep cool and make sure of their aim. There was one enormous explosion which shot up twice as high as the Konigsberg's masts, and the resulting smoke was visible even from our deck. The men sent up a huge cheer. For some time now we had no reply from the Konigsberg. At 12.53 I fancy she fired one gun, but I was not certain. She certainly did not fire afterwards. As our guns were getting hot we increased the range, as when hot the shots are apt to fall short. Fine columns of smoke, black, white, and yellow, and occasional dull reports rewarded us, but we were making no mistake and kept it. Another aeroplane turned up, and we now signalled the Mersey to pass on up stream and open fire nearer. She gave us a great cheer as she passed. We raised our topmast and had a look at the Konigsberg. She was a fine sight. One mast was leaning over, the other was broken at the main top, and smoke was pouring out of the mast as out of a chimney. The funnels were gone, and she was a mass of smoke and flame from end to end. We had done all the firing which had destroyed her. The Mersey only started afterwards. That was part of the plan. Only one ship was to fire at a time. The Mersey fired about 20 salvoes and made several hits and then we prepared to leave the river. Before we went the gunnery lieutenant and myself went to the top of the mast to get a better view and I took a photograph of the smoke, resting the camera on the very top of the topmast! The captain came up to us, and there were the three of us clinging to the lightning conductor with one arm, glasses in the other, and our feet on the empty oil drum we had fixed up there as a crow's nest. Two tags were waiting over the bar, and after giving us a cheer took us in tow to help us back quicker to Tynes. The Weymouth, with the Admiral on board, came round and then, passing us at speed, all hands lined the ship and, led by the small white figure of the Admiral on the bridge, gave us three splendid cheers. It was one of the finest sights I have ever seen. We answered back—and what a difference there was to our cheers of T-s-y last. We came to about three o'clock. By 8 o'clock we were back at Tynes Bay as fresh as paint. No one complained of a headache even. It took us about three hours to cross Meia Channel. It was a beautiful evening; and hard to believe we had just left a ship (about three times our size, and which under any other conditions would have made mince-meat of us in five minutes) a flaming mass of twisted iron-work.

During Prohibited Hours.

Before Commander C. W. Beckwith R. N., at the Marine Court this morning P.O. Lau Hing, charged Chan Ng-tai, master of water boat No. 2, and Lauing Tai, another boatmaster, with unlawfully moving about the Harbour during prohibited hours on the 5th inst. The first defendant was fined \$50, and the other \$30.

THE SUBMARINE WAR.

Concealment of Losses.

Notwithstanding the liberal transmission of messages from Berlin to the United States, and circulation abroad of messages insisting upon the conciliatory attitude of German statesmen, the German public, at any rate, has been kept entirely unaware of any concessions, or suggestions of concession, about German submarine warfare says the Times of September 2. The German newspapers of Saturday and Sunday last contain practically no reference to the Arabic case, and make no mention at all of any change of policy.

The German censorship has also suppressed the statement contained in the British Admiralty announcement published on Friday last that the losses of German submarines have been important. The Wolff Bureau circulated as "a telegram from London" a version of the British communique which omits the fatal words, and so enables the newspapers to make comments like the following, which is taken from the *Vossische Zeitung*:—

When the English Admiralty asserts that it does not publish any communication about the loss of German submarines, this is not in accordance with the facts. Hitherto the Admiralty has announced without any delay the successful successes of its Navy—quite apart from the so-called victories which have afterwards turned out to be the opposite.

The *Hamburger Nachrichten* published on Sunday a long leading article quite in the old style, saying:—

We must come to close grips with England if this war is to come to an end, and if the precious German blood and all the costly, irreplaceable, and intellectually brilliant German life is not to have been sacrificed in vain. Our statesmen have said in their recent speeches in the Reichstag, and have proved with documents and figures that England is the enemy with whom we have to settle accounts. In the settling of these accounts our submarines are so weighty a factor that we must give them unrestricted freedom of action. It is with our submarine arm and our submarine heroes that we must proceed remorselessly against England.

The Fate of Russia. The *Cologne Gazette*, in one of its semi-official messages from Berlin, declared on Sunday that the Russian Army and Russian people were overwhelmed by disaster and reduced to despair, and proceeded:—

Meanwhile, the Allies in the West lie helpless in the grip of the German armies. The whole world sees that England and France cannot help the defeated Russia. This complete failure of the English and French cooperation, which has been promised in so many proclamations, speeches, and solemn declarations, is the most significant chapter in the history of this world war. The Quadruple Entente is divided by a gulf which can no longer be closed—by the impossibility of successful cooperation. This impossibility has now become a historical fact.

The journal goes on to declare that no amount of statements in *The Times* about the help given by the Western Allies will deceive anybody.

THE SANITARY BOARD.

A Short Meeting.

The usual fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board was held this afternoon; when business of a purely routine nature occupied the attention of the meeting which did not last five minutes.

DAY BY DAY.

Silk. The T.K.K. office is in receipt of wireless communication to the effect that the silk despatched hence per s.s. *Chiyo Maru* on August 24 was delivered in New York on September 25.

Hongkong Amateur Athletic Federation.

The school and championship swimming sports under the Hongkong Amateur Athletic Federation, will take place to-morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock, at the Victoria Recreation Club. Up to the Minute.

Closing Prices:—

Cementa. — \$11.15, buyers. Providents. — \$9.50, buyers. Farries. — \$38, sales. Wharves. — \$79, buyers. Hongkong Docks. — \$83, buyers.

China Light and Powers. — \$4.40 sales.

Electrics. — \$44, sales and buyers.

Low Level Trams. — \$5.43, buyers.

Alice Memorial Hospital.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge, with thanks the following donation to the funds of the Hospitals:—Kin On & Co. \$25.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and affiliated Hospitals desires to express great appreciation of generous donation of \$3209.04 from Committee of recent Theatrical performance in aid of Hongkong Hospitals. This special donation to be used for working expenses.

VOLUNTEER RESERVE ORDERS.

H. K. V. R. Orders by Major Waksman Commanding H. K. V. R., state:—

Parades. "C" Company will parade on the Cricket Ground at 5.15 p.m. on Thursday the 7th inst. the parade ordered for Monday the 4th inst. having been cancelled. Dress: Drill Order Shirt Sleeves.

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

MOVEMENT OF STEAMERS. The s.s. KAZEMBE is expected to arrive here from New York on Wednesday the 6th October.

The P. & O. s.s. NOVARA left Singapore for this Port on the 4th instant at 10 a.m. with the outward English Mail, and is due here on the 9th instant at about daylight.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENT.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

From SAN FRANCISCO, via HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS AND MANILA.

s.s. "SHINYO MARU."

The above named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of Cargo from a longside.

Cargo remaining undelivered on 6th October at noon, will be landed at Consignee's risk and expense, and delivery must then be taken from the Company's Godown. Storage charges will be assessed on all Goods remaining undelivered on 13th October at noon.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

No Claims will be recognised after the Goods have left the Steamer or Godown.

All chafed and damaged cargo will be landed into the Godown, where they will be examined on 13th October at 10 a.m.

No Claims will be recognised if filed after October 19th, 1915. K. DOI. Actg. Agent. Hongkong, 5th October, 1915.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

GEO. P. LAMMERT.
AUCTIONEER, SHARE &
GENERAL BROKER

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

SATURDAY,
the 9th October, 1915, commencing at 11 a.m. at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street.
A Large Quantity of Wines and Spirits
comprising—
50 cases John Begg's Whisky (Blue Seal)
25 " " " (White Seal)
9 " Tawny Port
12 " R. & U. Sherry
9 " Claret "Mouton Rothschild"

9 " Italian Vermouth
8 " French Vermouth
30 " Dutch Gin
10 " English Gin
4 cases Portwine also
54 cases Selected Hocks and
30 " "Hoehl" Champagne (qts.) Extra Dry.
7000 London Cigars
8000 Reina Victoria Cigars
2500 Favoritas Cigars.
On view from Friday, the 8th October, 1915.
Terms:—Cash on delivery.
GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

TUESDAY,
the 12th October, 1915, commencing at 2.30 p.m. at No. 9 Humphreys Building (Top Floor), Kowloon.
A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture
(Full Particulars from Catalogue)
On view from Sunday, the 10th October.
Terms:—Cash on delivery.
GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

NOTICES.

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SANITARY BOARD OFFICE.

To the
OWNERS OF DOMESTIC BUILDINGS.

TAKE NOTICE that under No. 5 of the DOMESTIC CLEANLINESS and VENTILATION BYE-LAWS (as amended), every Domestic Building or part of such Building within the EASTERN Division of the City of Victoria, occupied by Members of more than one family, except those within the European Reservation or in Kowloon South of Austin Road or those parts of a Domestic Building used as a Shop, Office or Godown, must be CLEANSED and LIMEWASHED THROUGHOUT by the owners during the months of October and November.

N.B.—The word "throughout" used in this Notice means that the Houses should be limewashed in respect of all the Walls of each Room, all Cubicles, Partitions, Stair Casings and Stair Linings, all Ceilings and the Undersides of Roofs in Main Buildings, Offices and Servants' Quarters and inclusive of Verandahs.

The Backyard must have its Containing Walls limewashed up to the level of the First Floor. Carved, Painted or Polished Woodwork in good condition, however, need not be limewashed, but must be Cleaned.

The Eastern Division of the City is bounded on the West by Gilman Street and Peel Street. Kowloon is divided into the EASTERN and WESTERN Divisions by Nathan Road and a straight line drawn from the North end through the Yaumatei service reservoir to the Northern boundary of Kowloon.

W. BOWEN-ROWLANDS,
Secretary.
Dated this 1st day of October, 1915.

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A French remedy for all ailments. It is a powerful purgative and is used by all the great medical authorities. It is a sure cure for all cases of constipation, indigestion, headache, neuralgia, and all other ailments arising from a disordered system. It is a powerful tonic and is used by all the great medical authorities. It is a sure cure for all cases of weakness, nervousness, and all other ailments arising from a disordered system. It is a powerful tonic and is used by all the great medical authorities. It is a sure cure for all cases of weakness, nervousness, and all other ailments arising from a disordered system.

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NOTICE.

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Goods received on Storage.
Advances made on Merchandise.
Loans made on the Provident System.
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Hongkong, 19th March, 1910

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Open till Midnight

Any European, Non-Asiatic or Indian desiring to leave the Colony should apply in writing for permission to do so to the Captain Superintendent of Police, at least 48 hours before the intended hour of departure, giving name, nationality, age, sex, height and occupation of the applicant, and stating the name of the steamer or other vessel or the hour of the train by which the applicant wishes to leave. Applicants should apply in person for their passes at the Central Police Station between the hours of 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. daily.
Hongkong 9th July, 1915.

OFFICIAL MARKET PRICES

Hongkong, March 125, 191

BUTCHER MEAT.

Beef Sirloin—Mei Lung Pa	lb.	19
" Prime Cut—	"	21
" Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk	"	19
" Roast—Shiu	"	19
" Breast—Ngau Lam	"	17
" Soup—Tong Yuk	"	15
" Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa	"	20
" do.,—Sirloin—Ngau Lau	"	20
" Sausages—Ngau Cheung	"	24
Bollock's Brains—No	per set	10
" Tongue, fresh—Ngau Li	each	50
" corned—Ham Ngau Li	"	60
" Head—Ngau Tau	"	\$1.00
" Heart—Ngau Sam	"	14
" Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin	"	20
" Feet—Ngau Keuk	"	11
" Kidneys—Ngau Yiu	"	11
" Tail—Ngau Mei	"	18
" Liver—Ngau Kon	"	13
" Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To	"	6
Calves' Head & Feet—Ngau-tai-tau-keuk	set	\$1.00
Mutton Chop—Yeung Fei Kwat	lb.	25
" Leg—Yeung Fei	"	25
" Shoulder—Yeung Shau	"	24
" Saddle—	"	27
Pigs Chittlings—Chu Chong	"	27
" Brains—Chu No	per set	24
" Feet—Chu Keuk	lb.	13
" Fry—Chu Chap	"	15
" Head—Chu Tau	"	15
" Heart—Chu Sam	each	11
" Kidneys—Chu Yiu	"	18
" Liver—Chu Kon	lb.	28
Pork Chop—Chu Pak Kwat	"	24
" Corned—Ham Chu Yuk	"	—
" Leg—Chu Pei	"	28
" Fat or Lard—Chu Yau	"	28
Sheeps' Head and Feet—Yeung Tau Keuk	set	60
" Heart—Yeung Sam	"	8
" Kidneys—Yeung Yiu	"	12
" Liver—Yeung Kon	lb.	26
Smoking Pigs to order—Chu Tsai	"	22
Suet, Beef—Shang Ngau Yau	"	20
" Mutton—Shang Yeung Yau	"	26
Veal—Ngau Tsai Yuk	"	19
" Sausages—Ngau Tsai Cheung	"	20
Lard—Chu Yau	"	20

POULTRY.

Chickens—Kai Tsai	lb.	35
Capons, Large, Small—Sin Kai	"	34
Ducks—Ap	"	32
Doves—Pan Kau	"	18
Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan (cooking)	per doz	20
" (fresh) —	"	36
Fowls, Canton—Kai	lb.	42
" Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai	"	30
Geese—Ngo	"	24
Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kap	each	28
" Hoihow—Hoi How Pak Kap,	"	25
Snipe—Sha Tsai	each	22
Turkeys, Cock—Fo Kai Kung	lb.	60
" Hen—Na	"	45
Pheasant—Shan Kai	"	75
Quail—Om Chun	"	25
Partridges—Che Ku	"	65

FISH.

Barbel—Ka Yu	lb.	16
Bream—Pin Yu	"	18
Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Sin Yu	"	15
Carp—Li Yu	"	20
Catfish—Chik Yu	"	12
Codfish—Mun Yu	"	14
Crabs—Hai	"	28
Outlet Fish—Muk Yu	"	16
Dab—Sha Mang Yu	"	12
Dace—Wong Mei Lap	"	13
Dog Fish—Tit To Sha	"	10
Eels, Conger—Hoi Man	"	13
" Fresh water—Tam Sui Yu	"	18
Eels, Yellow—Wong Sin	"	32
Frogs—Tin Kai	"	33
Garoupa—Shek Pan	"	40
Gudgeon—Pak Kap Yu	"	16
Herrings—Tao Pak	"	20
Halibut—Cheung Kwan Kap	"	20
Labrus—Wong Fa Yu	"	18
Loach—Wu Yu	"	28
Lobsters—Lung Ha	"	28
Mackerel—Chi Yu	"	20
Monk Fish—Mong Yu	"	32
Mullet—Chai Yu	"	16
Oysters—Shang Ho	"	22
Parrot Fish—Kai Kung Yu	"	12
Perch—Tau Lo	"	18
Pike—Fa Pau Fong	"	16
Plaice—Pan Yu	"	15
Pomfret, Black—Hak Ohong	"	26
Pomfret, White—Pak Ohong	"	28
Prawns—Ming Ha	"	38
Ray—Pai Pa Sha	"	10
Rock Fish—Shek Kau Kung	"	15
Roach—Chun Yu	"	12
Salmon—Ma Yu	"	30
Shark—Po Yu	"	8
Shrimps—Ha	"	25
Snapper—Lap Yu	"	28
Soles—Tat Sha Yu	"	26
Tench—Wan Yu	"	16
Turbot—Oho How Yu	"	18
Turtles, small, fresh water—Keut Yu	"	60

FRUITS.

Almonds—Bang Yan	lb.	35
Apples (California)—Kam Shan Ping Kho	"	18
" (Chafao)—Tin Chun Ping Kho	"	—

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COMMERCIAL.

Cotton.
Very little business is reported during the week; prices are firm with a like tendency, probably in sympathy with the firm markets of Liverpool and New York, although with the large carry over of last season and a reasonably good yield expected, it is not anticipated that prevailing prices will hold up long after new season's crop is harvested. Local cotton is arriving in very small quantities, probably on account of wet weather delaying ripening, inability to gather for the same reason; the Mid-Autumn festival may also be the cause to a smaller extent, but deliveries must improve in the near future. Prices for local material are advanced, quotations for Tongchow ranging from Tls. 24.00 to Tls. 25.00; Four Chop at Tls. 25.00 to Tls. 24.00 and Steam ginned nominal at Tls. 25.80, the market closing steady. Latest Liverpool quotations are:—Mid-American 6.43d., Egyptian 9.00d., Bengal 4.75d. per lb.

Celluloid Manufacturers and the War.

The war in Europe has had a good influence upon the celluloid industry of this country and the industry seems likely to make a steady development. The Japan Celluloid Company in Aburahi is said to be able to manufacture celluloid which will easily bear comparison with the foreign made article. In 1912, another celluloid company was established in Sakai. For a few years past both companies have been running at a loss. However, thanks to the outbreak of hostilities the Japanese celluloid companies are now doing well, as the celluloid factories in the belligerent lands are engaged in producing gunpowder. The Japan Celluloid Company has now begun to produce gun cotton. This of course has reduced, if it has not stopped, the supply of celluloid, and prices of celluloid goods have greatly advanced. Most articles are from 30 to 40 per cent. higher, while some have advanced 100 per cent. The Sakai Celluloid Company now has started night work, but as its output is only about 80,000 lbs. monthly, it is impossible to meet the demand. It is stated that no fresh orders can be executed inside of six months. Conditions are so advantageous for the two companies that it is thought that they will be able to make good this year the losses of past years. Celluloid goods have been exported chiefly to China and India and various other places, during the past few years, but the Japan made article has not been able to compete with German-made goods. Of the annual output of celluloid works here, amounting probably to 5,000,000, not more than 80 per cent. at the most has been exported. This year the export trade is very active and it is believed that the gross value of shipments will reach 72,000,000 before the year ends. Large shipments have been made to Australia and even to England, Germany having lost her market in both these countries. Great quantities of combs are being sent forward. Altogether the outlook for Japan's celluloid manufacturers is bright. There is considerable export trade in celluloid toys also. Some factories in Tokio have been enlarged recently in order to fulfil large orders received from England. Some difficulty is being experienced in obtaining the raw article now.

Slam's Trade.
The following approximate return, received from the Customs Department, shows the values of Imports and Exports during the month of August 1915:—

Imports.	
3 % Goods	Tos. 5,210,281
Wine, Beer, and Spirits	Tos. 150,756
Gold leaf	Tos. 280,000
Bullion & Coin	Tos. 349,593
Exports.	
Rice	Tos. 6,616,451
Teak	Tos. 205,977
Other goods	Tos. 1,073,492
Total	Tos. 7,895,920

SHARE REPORT.

COMPARATIVE SHARE QUOTATIONS.

S.—SELLERS FA—FAIRLY B.—BUYERS W.—WOMINAL

STOCK.	To-day's Closing Prices	Number of Shares	Par Value	1914. Highest	1914. Lowest	1915. Highest	1915. Lowest	Last Dividend and Date
Banks.								
H'kong & Shanghai Banking Corp.	830 a. 273/10/-	120,000	\$125	all	855 July.	700 Oct.	845 x div. 790 c. div.	{£23/- at 1/9 5/16 equal to \$24.21 for 1/2 year 30/6/15
Marine Insurances.								
Canton Insurance Office, Ltd.	427 1/2 b.	10,000	\$250	59	350 Dec.	305 Oct.	425 360	{Final of \$4 a/o 1913. Interim of \$18 a/o 1914.
North China Ins. Co., Ltd.	172 b.	10,000	\$15	£5	145 May.	133 Jan.	171 160	{Interim of '12 1/2 p.c. for 1914
Union Ins. Society of Canton, Ltd.	496 1/2 sa.	12,400	\$250	100	847 1/2 April.	700 Oct.	992 835 1/2	{Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1913 and Interim of \$30 for 1914
Yangtze Ins. Assoc. Ltd.	248 b. ex 73	12,000	\$100	60	210 April.	192 1/2 Jan.	248 235	{Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1913 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Fire Insurances.								
China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	162 b.	20,000	\$100	20	160 July.	140 Oct.	162 130	{£9 for 1913
H'kong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	420 n.	8,000	\$250	50	385 Feb.	368 April.	420 385	{£27 for 1913
Shipping. (40 cts. b. x the rest)								
C. & M.S. S. Co., Ltd. (turn of \$4.50 per s.)	162 b.	30,000	\$25	all	10 Jan.	5 1/2 Dec.	50 cts. 30 cts.	{£1 for 1906
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	59 sa.	20,000	\$50	all	36 Mar.	27 1/2 Nov.	91 45	{£4 for year ending 30.6.15
Hongkong, C. & M.S.S. Co., Ltd.	20 n.	80,000	\$15	all	29 1/4 Jan.	22 Dec.	23 19	{Final of 40 cts. making 90 cts. for year ending 31.12.14
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. (Preferred)	154 b.	60,000	£5	all	79 Jan.	50 Sept.	157 1/2 96	{£ p.c. on p. s. & 3 p.c. on d. s. for year 1914. shares quoted ex p.c. div. £100 from 29.12.13 an interim div. of £ 5 on the combined shares paid in London 28.12.15
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	90/-	3,797,610	£1	all	106/- Feb.	70/- Sept.	90/- x div. 82/- x div.	{Final of 5/- (Coupon No 24) making 7/- for 1914
Star Ferry Company, Ltd.	35 1/2 b.	40,000	\$10	all	49 Mar.	40 Nov.	37 32	{£1.50 per share and bonus of 40 cents per share for year ending 30.4.16
Refineries.								
China S. Refining Co., Ltd.	131 n.	20,000	\$100	all	96 1/2 Feb.	70 Nov.	134 111	{£3 for 1912
Luzon S. Refining Co., Ltd.	40 n.	7,000	\$100	all	31 Jan.	17 Dec.	46 27 1/2	{£3 for 1897
Mining.								
Kailan Mining Administration	30/-	1,000,000	£1	all	41/- Feb.	33/6 Dec.	33/6 30/-	{Interim of 1/- account year ending 30.6.15 (Coupon No. 5.)
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	33.30 b.	200,000	£1	all	3.10 Jan.	1.90 Nov.	4 3.60	{1/2 for 1909
Ing Co., Ltd.	3 1/2 b.	150,000	£1	all	39/- Feb.	19/6 Nov.	32/6 32/-	{1/- interim a/c 1915 paid 12.7.15
Tromch Mines Ltd.	31/6 b.	796,666	£1	all	56/6	21/3		{1/- interim 1915
Ural Caspian	40/6 b.							
Docks, Wharves and Godowns &c.								
H'kong & K.W. & G. Co., Ltd.	479 sa.	50,000	\$50	all	89 Jan.	73 Nov.	79 63	{£3.50 for year 1914
H'kong & W'poo D. Co., Ltd.	484 sa.	50,000	\$50	all	77 Jan.	53 Oct.	83 57	{£3 dividend for year 1914
S'hai Dock & Eng. Co., Ltd.	60 sa.	55,700	t. 100	all	60 July.	50 Dec.	63 49 x div.	{Tls. 3 for year ending 30.4.15
S'hai & H'kow W. Co., Ltd.	90 sa.	36,000	t. 100	all	109 Jan.	82 1/2 Dec.	93 1/2 80	{Tls. 5 for 1914
Lands, Hotels and Buildings.								
Anglo French Lands	112 b.	13,000	t. 100	all	128 July.	120 Dec.	116 112	{Tls. 6 1/2 for year ending 29.2.14
H'kong Hotel Co., Ltd.	112 b.	20,000	\$50	50				{£2.50 for half year ending 30.6.15
H'kong Land Investment Co.	109 sa.	50,000	\$100	all	117 1/2 July.	98 Nov.	111 x div. 108	{£3 1/2 for year ending 30.6.15
H'phreys Estate & F. Co., Ltd.	6.90 b.	150,000	\$10	all	9 1/4 Jan.	7 Nov.	7 6.10	{45 cents for year 1914
K'loon Land & Building Co., Ltd.	45 b.	6,000	\$50	20	45 1/2 Jan.	44 Feb.	40 40	{£3 for 1914
Shanghai Lands	105 b.	78,000	t. 50	all	98 Dec.	89 Oct.	106 101	{Dividend of 6 p.c. for 1 year ending 30.6.15
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	72 1/2 b.	12,000	\$50	all	73 June	66 Feb.	70 100	{£2 for half year ending 30.6.15
H'kong Central Estates	100 n.	10,000	\$100	all				{£4.09 for 7 months ending 31.12.14
Cotton Mills.								
Ewo Cotton S. & W. Co., Ltd.	172 b.	20,000	t. 50	all	138 July.	125 May.	180 152 1/2	{Tls. 12 for year ending 31.10.14
Hongkong Cotton Co., Ltd.	92 b.	155,000	t. 10	all	8 1/2 Mar.	7 June	9 7	{50 cents 31.7.08
Kung Yik	154 b.	75,000	t. 10	all	14 1/2 Jan.	11 Mar.	17 12 1/2	{Tls. 1.30 for year ending 30.11.14
Laou Kung Mow	90 1/2 n.	8,000	t. 100	all	110 Feb.	70 May.	89 86	{Tls. 12 for 1913
Shanghai Cottons in S'hai	124 b.	40,000	t. 50	all	135 Feb.	70 Nov.	105 96	{Dividend of Tls. 7 1/2 for year ending 30.6.15
Miscellaneous.								
China Borneo Company, Ltd.	10 1/4 b.	50,000	\$15	all	12 May.	10 Dec.	16 16	{85 cents for 1914
China Light & Power Co., Ltd.	44 1/2 b.	50,000	\$5	all	4.80 July.	4 April.	4 1/4 4 1/4	{6% for year ending 28.2.06
Do. (Spec. shares)		50,000	\$1	all				
China Prov. L. & M. Co., Ltd.	9.40 b.	125,000	\$10	all	9 Jan.	7 Nov.	9 8.00	{70 cts. for 1914
Dairy Farm Company, Ltd.	834 sa.	40,000	7 1/2	6	39 June	35 Aug.	34 34	{£1.50 for year ending 31.7.14
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	11.15 sa.	400,000	\$10	all	6.90 Jan.	5 Dec.	11 6.70	{50 cts. for 1914.
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	44 1/2 n.	60,000	\$70	all	49 Jan.	36 Nov.	44 39	{£2.00 per share for 1914
Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd.	183 n.	6,000	\$25	all	217 1/2 July.	174 Dec.	185 184	{Interim of £2 account 1915
Hongkong Rope Mfg. Co., Ltd.	34 1/2 sa.	60,000	\$10	all	25 June	22 Apr.	34 25	{Interim for year ending 30.6.15
Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd.	5.35 b.	325,000	5/-	all	13/- July.	7/- Feb.	5.55 4.80 x div.	{£10 for 1914
Langkats	38 1/2 b.	250,000	g. 10	all	64 1/2 Mar.	28 Dec.	42 36 1/2	{Interim of T. 1 making T. 2 a/c 9 3
Peak Tramway Co., Ltd. (Old)	99 1/4 b.	25,000	\$10	all	10 1/2 Jan.	9 1/2 June	10 9	{70 cts. on fully paid shares and 7 cts. on \$1 paid shares for year ending 30.4.15
Do (New)	85 cts. b.	60,000	\$10	all	93 cts. Jan.	75 cts. Dec.	81 80 cts.	
Philippines Ld.	4 b.	75,000	\$10	all	—	—	4 5	{None
H. Price & Co., Ltd.	5 b.	12,000	\$10	all	—	—	5 5	{£1.50 for 1910.
Societe des Pulpes et Papier-eries du Tonkin	20 b.	12,000	\$50	all	—	—	20 20	{None
Steam Laundry Co., Ltd.	33 1/2 b.	20,000	\$5	all	5.00 June	4 Nov.	3 1/2 3.00	{25 cts. for year ending 31.5.15
Union Water-boat Co., Ltd.	316 b.	27,723	\$10	all	22 1/2 Feb.	17 Jan.	18 16	{£1.00 per share for year ending 31.12.1914
Watson and Co., Ltd.	66 1/2 sa.	90,000	\$10	all	8 1/2 April.	6.90 Dec.	6.90 x div. 60 cts. x div.	{60 cts. for 1914
William Powell, Limited.	66 1/2 n.	31,000	\$7	all	9 1/2 Jan.	6 1/2 Dec.	7 6	{50 cts. on old shares and 25 cts. on new year shares for year ending 30.6.14
S. O. Morning Post	29 b.	8,000	\$25	all	30 June	82 Dec.	29 29	{£1.50 for 1914

LATEST RUBBER QUOTATIONS.

Anglo Java's 6/8 buyers 7/-	Ayer Panas Straits \$1.90 buyers	Kempas Straits \$3.50 buyers	Pajam Straits \$9.15 buyers
selers.	5.00 sellers.	3.75 sellers.	9.25 sellers.
Linggi's 14/9 buyers 15/6	Balyownee Straits \$3.15 buyers	Malaka Pindas Straits \$1.40	
sellers.	ers 3.30 sellers.	buyers 1.50 sellers.	
Nordana's 18/- buyers 19/6	Changkat Serdang Straits \$4.90	Malakoff Straits \$3.40 buyers	
sellers.	buyers 5.05 sellers.	3.50 sellers.	

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60 d/s 1/9 15/16	Demand Manila 84	4 m/s L/C 110 3/8	
4 m/s 1/10	T/T San Fco & N.Y. 42 3/4	4 m/s D.P. 110 1/2	
T/T Shanghai 77 1/4	Demand New York 4 7/8	6 m/s L/C 110 5/8	
Private 30 d/s sight	T/T Java 107 1/8	30 d/s S'ney & M. 110 5/8	
T/T Singapore 77 1/4	T/T Marks 107 1/8	30 d/s San Fco & N.Y. 44 1/4	
T/T Japan 86 1/2	Demand Germany 2 1/2	4 m/s Marks Nom.	
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